

REMARKS

Support for newly amended claims 7-10 can be found in the specification at page 6 the second and third paragraphs and claims 25 and 26 and the examples. In order to expedite prosecution, the applicant has amended the independent claims. The applicant has amended claims 15 and 16 in order to overcome the 35 USC §112 objections. The applicant has limited the aqueous solvent to water and the polyanion to a polysulfonic acid. The Examiner stated that the claims were not commensurate with respect to the solvent and the polyanions. The examples use as the aqueous solvent (water) and polysulfonic acid (polystyrene sulfonic acid). The applicant believes that the claims are commensurate in scope.

Claims 15 and 16 are objected to. Claims 7-26 were rejected as being unpatentable under 35 USC § 103(a) over Jonas et al (US 5,300,575) ("Jonas") in view of Moehwald (US 4,728,399) ("Moehwald"). The applicant respectfully traverses these rejections.

Objections

Claims 15 and 16 are objected to because of the misspelling of "trifluoromethanesulfonic" and the lack of a comma between benzenesulfonic and methanesulfonic. The applicant appreciates the Examiner pointed out these errors and the applicant has corrected these errors. For the above reasons, this objection should be withdrawn.

35 U.S.C. 103(a) Rejection

Claims 7-26 were rejected as being unpatentable under 35 USC § 103(a) over Jonas in view of Moehwald. The Examiner stated that the claims were not commensurate with respect to the solvent and the polyanions. In order to expedite prosecution, the applicant has amended the independent claims. The Examiner stated that the data was not commensurate in scope with the

claimed invention. More particularly, the Examiner stated that the types of polyanion and solvents are not reasonably commensurate in scope. The applicant has amended the polyanion and solvents and believes that the claims are commensurate in scope with the claimed invention. For the above reasons, this rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 13077-00158-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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